

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, the)	
STATE OF TEXAS, <i>ex rel.</i>)	
HICHEM CHIHI,)	
)	Civil Action No. 4:18-cv-00123
Plaintiff-Relator,)	
)	
v.)	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
)	
CATHOLIC HEALTH INITIATIVES, et al.)	
)	
Defendants.)	

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL
WITHOUT PREJUDICE OF DEFENDANT APNIX

Pursuant to Rule 41(a)(1)(A)(i) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Relator HICHEM CHIHI and Defendant APNIX stipulate that Defendant APNIX is dismissed from this action without prejudice. Pursuant to agreement by Relator and Defendant APNIX, the dismissal is without prejudice to reassertion and both sides will bear their own attorney's fees, costs, and expenses.

Relator's stipulation of dismissal is based on information presented by Defendant Apnix during a period of limited discovery between the parties.

Prior to filing this stipulation of dismissal, Relator conferred with the State of Texas and the United States. Both government entities confirmed in writing that they have no objection to the dismissal of Defendant Apnix, provided that the dismissal is without prejudice.

Respectfully submitted this 3rd day of September 2020.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that on September 3, 2020, a true and exact copy of the foregoing pleading has been filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent by operation of the Court's electronic filing system to all parties indicated on the electronic filing receipt.

s/ Ruth Brown _____

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